

NO WINTER STAGING

Railroad to Reach Channel in The Next Three Months.

DREDGE CREW BUILDING DYKE

Engineers of Southern Pacific Plan Terminal Point at Straits During the Winter—Boats Will Carry on Passenger and Freight traffic.

Klamath Falls may not have railroad connection during the year of 1908, but there is now every assurance that in the early fall of this year the steamer Klamath and other boats will be making connection with the trains at the straits. It is the opinion of representatives of the Southern Pacific that the road will be built to the straits in about ninety days. Splendid progress is being made on the grade this side of Dorris and the contractors on the marsh are now working one dredge two ten-hour shifts and within a few days will have another machine on the work. The construction of a few thousand yards of dyke will complete the grade to the navigable water.

The plans are already in the hands of the engineers for the construction of the siding at the water and for the establishment of temporary terminal quarters. During the dry season it will be a comparatively easy matter to build the grade for the siding, and it is quite likely that before the roads get bad all of the traffic to and from this city will be carried on by means of rail and water. Unless there should be exceptionally bad weather during the winter there will be no danger of the route being forced to shut down on account of ice. The ice on the straits seldom freezes thicker than three or four inches and this can be broken by the steamer.

The claim is still made that a spur will be built to Teeter's Landing and that during the winter of this year the traffic will be carried on through that point. The officials who have charge of the work have received no instructions for the construction of a branch to the Landing and if an arrangement has been made for the road it is between Chief Engineer Hoel and Abel Ady, who owns the land at Teeter's and also most of the right of way to that point.

It is the opinion of local representatives of the Southern Pacific that the company will not build any farther than the navigable water this fall, but that in the early spring the road will be ex-

tended to this city. If the marsh contractors have no unforeseen difficulties they will complete the entire distance of the dyke in about four months and by spring the grade will be sufficiently settled that ties and rails can be laid just as soon as the dyke becomes dry.

Republicans Banquet.

The Merrill Republican club gave a banquet Monday night at which were present a number of the candidates. Enthusiastic political speeches were made by the candidates, by C. T. Oliver, the chairman of the Republican central committee, and by others who were in attendance. All of the candidates on the Republican ticket will receive a large majority in Tule Lake Precinct is the prediction of those who are familiar with that section of the county.

Plans For Season.

Superintendent W. F. Arant, of Crater Lake Park, has outlined the improvements on the park for this summer. He now takes it for granted that the appropriation will be but \$3,000 and with this small sum it will be impossible to accomplish very much. He expects to run a cable along the trail down to the water and to greatly improved the path down to the lake. He will probably have enough funds to run a horse trail to one or two of the scenic points in the park. The funds for this year will not permit doing more than this.

Improving Cemetery.

The Odd Fellows have recently spent several hundred dollars in improving their burial ground. It has been cleaned and trees planted and a new fence put up. The other burial ground should receive some attention and be fixed up, so as to present a more cleanly appearance.

Chas. Ennis has moved his family to Merrill where he has engaged in the barber business.

Inspecting New Service.

E. Shelby, the superintendent of the Wells-Fargo Express Company with headquarters in San Francisco, arrived in the city last night to inspect the new express route to this city. A few days since the service was transferred from the Pokegama route to Dorris and the Superintendent is going over the route at this time to determine the efficiency of the new route. It is probably that his visit may result in a reduction of the rates into this section.

Assault and Battery.

Mike Derby swore to a complaint this afternoon charging Eugene Hopkins with assault and battery. The story as told by Mr. and Mrs. Derby is that they were both attacked by Mr. Hopkins, and both show signs of having been mixed up in some sort of an affair, as each has a black eye. They are both past sixty years of age and have resided at the Hopkins ranch since last fall. The trouble occurred at the ranch a few days ago and the matter will likely attract considerable attention when it comes up in the courts.

Mr. Hopkins was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Miller this afternoon, but the case was postponed until next Saturday.

Machinery Arrives.

The machinery for the steamer Mazama arrived here today and has been taken to the Upper Lake. It will be installed and tested within a few days. Practically no work will be done on Wood river this season. It will be necessary to remove a few of the bars in order to permit the boat to get through and this will be done by the Adams dredge when it is taken to the Weed ranch to begin work on the big cut. It will likely be a few weeks before the boat will be in position to handle the Wood river traffic.

Predicts Wet Victory.

Appropos the vote on local option in Klamath Falls, one of the shrewd politicians of the county, after making a thorough canvass of the registration for the recent city election, makes the prediction that the town will go wet by 165 votes. The registration for the election was about 450, a little more than one-fourth of the vote of the entire county. This being the case he thinks the county will go wet by a considerable margin, as many of the outlying precincts are sure to give a majority vote to the anti-prohibitionists. This is merely a prediction, but the prophet in this case has correctly foretold the result of many an election in this county.

CLEAN CAMPAIGNING

Nominees For Office Making Canvass on Their Own Merits.

There remain but a few more days until the election, but notwithstanding this the campaign has so far been an honorable one in every respect. Candidates, and also their friends, have refrained from attacking their opponents, and most of them have spoken well of them whenever they have had occasion to do so. The Republicans have and are making a concerted attempt for the election of the entire ticket, but in making this attempt they have used the merits of the party's candidates and not the demerits of the nominees of the other party if they have any. During the closing days of the campaign all of the candidates are extremely active and most of them are on the go every day and part of every night.

By far the hardest fight seems to be on the matter of local option. This measure is receiving its full share of attention and some of the others that are almost of equal importance are being

overlooked entirely. There are nineteen other measures on the ballot and every voter should acquaint himself with these measures. At some of the political meetings held by the Republican candidates these measures have been discussed and explained to the voters. It would be well for the rest of the campaign if everyone of the political aspirants would arm himself with copies of these measures and while doing missionary work for themselves also do a little to bring about the defeat of most of the measures proposed by the initiative and referendum. There are a few measures on the list that would perhaps be a benefit to the country, but the most of them would soon pass into history along with many other laws of this state only to be referred to as bad and unnecessary legislation. Voters should study all of the amendments and go to the polls prepared to cast an intelligent vote on everyone of the measures.

Contesting For Land.

Clerk Chastain is hearing the evidence today in the Benedict vs. Lundy case. The land involves Mrs. Lundy's homestead near Bly. A large number of witnesses from that section are in the city to give evidence. The defendant is making a hard fight for the land as she has claimed it for her home for several years. This contest is to be followed by others along similar lines and it is rather a strange thing that people, who a few years since, refused to accept filings on these lands for a nominal sum are now willing to spend several hundred dollars in attempt to wrestle from others the lands that they have held for years and acquired when they were worthless. Had the Government been less lax in the enforcement of its laws all of the present litigation would have been avoided. Large sums of money have been spent in the last few years lawing over lands which a few years ago were classed as worthless.

Grand Campaign Ball at the Opera House, Saturday evening, May 30. This will take the place of the "Grab" dance which was advertised for Sanderson's Hall. Tickets \$1.00.

Judge Watson's Lecture

Judge C. B. Watson, of Ashland, will deliver a free lecture at the High School building tomorrow night on the subject, "Prehistoric Siskiyou Island and the Marble Halls of Oregon." Judge Watson is known as a pleasing speaker and has made a specialty of acquainting himself with the scenic features of the state of Oregon.

Fell With Pole

Geo. Bremmer, employed by the Midway Tel. & Tel. Co., was quite badly bruised when a telephone pole fell with him while at work near R. M. Richardson's place on Conger avenue. He sustained a number of bruises but is able to be about today.

R. M. Richardson is making a number of improvements on his home on Conger avenue. He is having the house turned around and improving the ground.

Several parties have recently sold their timber claims. Most of the purchases were made by the Weyerhaeuser Company in the section north of Bly.

If your eyes trouble you, see Wintels.

TROUBLE OVER LAND

Want Cases of Illegal Fencing Thoroughly Investigated.

COMPLAINTS HAVE BEEN FILED

United States Marshal is Expected From Portland Short-ly to Look Farther Into the Reported Unlawful Inclosure of Public Lands

Hurt in Runaway

J. R. Fronfield, a representative of the Breezers Gazette, met with a runaway while taking the Harriman horse from this city to Fort Klamath. The team became frightened and in the runaway he and the driver were thrown from the buggy. He sustained a number of bruises, but delivered the horse at the fort in good condition.

Dairy Items

The Candidates ball held Wednesday night was well attended and the results from sale of baskets satisfactory to those that got the affair up.

Wm. Wight was kicked down and trampled on by a horse Wednesday evening two ribs were broken and numerous cuts and bruises made about his face. At this writing he is getting along much better than any one could hope for and may be out of bed very soon.

Some of the good citizens of Dairy propose to use their influence to defeat any candidate that sends liquor here to be used on election day. Candidates take warning.

Judge Griffith and G. W. White will address the people at Dairy May 29 at lamp light, on Local option, come everybody.

Three Dairy pupils were successful in the recent 8th grade examinations. A full report will be made as soon as an authentic report is sent us.

Our farmers are through seeding and the boys are out hunting slick ears.

Prof. Hall has been engaged to continue the school for two months longer.

Wm. H. Bliss is engaged finishing up the front of the Davies building.

John W. Logue returned from attending Grand Lodge at Salem Monday.

We hear some complaint of wire worms working in the growing grain.

J. R. Welch went to the Government ditch camp Monday to engage as blacksmith.

Storks visited the home of Philip Oden last Saturday night and left a little boy.

A large number of the voters residing in this city temporarily, but who have homesteads in the different sections of the county are planning to go home to vote at the election on next Monday.

Since the increase in the value of the lands in this county a number of cases have come to light where large land owners have illegally fenced tracts of Government land and holding it in inclosure so that it cannot be settled on by other parties. In one or two instances trouble has arisen over these matters and complaints have been filed with the United States authorities at Portland. A federal marshal was sent here to investigate the complaints made about a year ago and the result was that a few of the fences were removed. Most of the lands in the Klamath basin that are now under illegal fence are withdrawn from all forms of entry on account of the reclamation project and the parties locating on them can acquire no right except that of squatters. The parties owning the lands around them can work a decided hardship by not permitting them to come and go to the pieces. There is no means of relief for the squatter save through the federal authorities who will prosecute the matter of illegal fencing. It is stated that within the past few weeks charges of this nature have been filed with the authorities in Portland and that a thorough investigation of these matters in this section is to be made as soon as a marshal can arrive here.

There have been numerous cases of illegal fencing in this county, and until just recently no one paid any attention to such matters. However, the lands are now in demand and homesteaders are looking up these tracts, and squatting on them if they are in the temporary withdrawal in order to acquire a prior right when they are restored to entry and filing. There are several instances where, in the past year, parties have secured possession of valuable tracts of land. Some of these tracts are but a few miles distant from the growing towns of the county and have been partly under cultivation for several years. Another investigation has been asked for by some of the squatters and it is likely that when a United States marshal comes here this time all of the cases reported will be thoroughly investigated.

The local option meeting Saturday night will be held at the court house. Indications are that it will be largely attended and a number of parties will discuss the issue that is at this time attracting so much attention.



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